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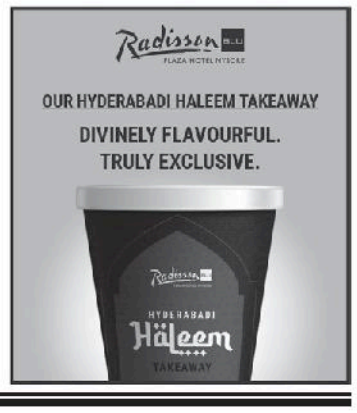


Property Tax goes up by 15 to 20 percent

Tax calculation based on 30% - 50% guidance value increase by State Govt. in October 2023, says MCC Commissioner

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (RK&BCT)- Mysuru is set to see a sharp rise in Property Tax after the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has implemented a **guidance value-based tax collection effective from Apr. 1 (today).** The move will likely push up already soaring real estate rates and residential and apartment rentals.

Guidance value represents the minimum value assigned to a specific area by the State Government. It serves as a benchmark for property transactions, influencing stamp duty, registration fees and Property Tax calculations.

Property owners remitting taxes at MCC Zone 6 Office on Seshadri Iyer Road today to avail the five percent tax rebate during the month of April.

In October 2023, the State Government increased the guidance value by 30 percent to 50 percent effective Oct. 1, 2023.

Dr. N.N. Madhu

MCC Commissioner Dr. N.N. Madhu told *SOM* this morning that the Property Tax will be calculated based on the guidance value that has been revised by the State Government. "The system we are following here is based on the guidance value and the rates will go up by 15 percent to 20 percent depending on the classification and business activities of that particular area," she said.

The hike will cover all residential and commercial buildings, vacant sites, industries, trusts, cinema and marriage halls, commercial complexes, community halls, malls, choultries, hotels, schools, charitable trusts and colleges. For the guidance value-based Property Tax collection, all the properties in the city have been assessed based on the feedback received from all the nine MCC Zonal Offices and documented.

(See TAX on page 6)

Accidents, deaths see a surge in first three months of 2024

60 percent of accidents involve youths riding two-wheelers; a result of reckless driving

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (RK&BCT)- The slew of initiatives undertaken by the Police and transport authorities to curb road accidents seem to have fallen short of achieving the intended outcomes, judging by the surge in fatal incidents.

Data provided by City Traffic Police indicates a significant uptick in road accidents, along with a rise in fatalities and injuries, during the period from January to March this year, as compared to the same period last year.

According to the data, in the first three months of 2024, 40 individuals lost their lives within the Mysuru City limits, compared to 37 fatalities in the same period of 2023 *(refer table)*.

Additionally, there were 260 non-fatal accidents in 2024, a notable increase from the 168 incidents recorded in 2023. In terms of injuries, there were 311 reported cases in 2024, up from 226 in 2023. Surprisingly, number of fatal accidents remained consistent at 37 when comparing the periods from January to March in both 2023 and 2024.

Data from previous years say that in 2023, 953 accidents occurred within the city limits of which 162 cases were fatal and 791 were non-fatal. 168 people were killed and 984 were injured.

In 2022, 777 accidents occurred of which 170 cases were fatal and 606 were non-fatal. 172 people were killed and 776 were injured. In 2021, 650 accidents occurred within the city limits of which 119 cases were fatal and 533 were non-fatal. 121 people were killed and 675 were injured.

Reckless driving

Traffic ACP Parashuramappa, speaking to *Star of Mysore*, attributed the surge in accidents from January to March this year to reckless driving habits, particularly among the youths who frequently ride motorcycles.

He noted that over 60 percent of the accidents involving two-wheelers were the result of driver errors such as negligence, overspeeding and driving while under the influence of alcohol. Out of every 100 recorded road accidents, 30 involved two-wheelers, with nearly 60 percent of these incidents directly attributable to mistakes made by the drivers, he elaborated.

(See ACCIDENTS on page 6)

2024

Month	Fatal	Non-fatal	Death	Injured
January	16	87	17	123
February	10	94	11	90
March	11	79	12	98
Total	37	260	40	311

2023

Month	Fatal	Non-fatal	Death	Injured
January	14	63	14	82
February	12	58	12	75
March	11	47	11	69
Total	37	168	37	226

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 1st April 2024

Apollo Pharmacy opens its 6,000th Store in Kuvempunagar

Sri Someshwaranatha Swamiji of Adichunchanagiri Mutt, Mysuru and noted Sculptor Arun Yogiraj lighting the lamp to inaugurate the 6,000th Store of Apollo Pharmacy in JCST Layout, Kuvempunagar, on Mar. 30. N.G. Bharateesh Reddy, Vice-President (Operations & Unit Head), Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru, P. Jayakumar, CEO of Apollo Pharmacies Limited and others attended the event.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Travel is myriad-faceted. Packing up and leaving behind your old baggage of your daily routine for the unknown is the best-known reason for travel. When we were kids, we used to wait for the summer vacation, which meant leaving school bags and homework to travel by train to Bombay, now Mumbai, where our dear aunt waited to welcome us.

Lonavla of Khandala Ghats was a much anticipated stop where Maharashtrian ayees in colourful saris brought us rose apples and mulberry fruit in leaf cups for a few annas. Plane and motor car travel could never compete with the excitement of the dirt-covered maroon messiah carrying loads of human hope and desire in its chug-chug rhythm. Ah, all that was way back in the fifties!

Now that I am growing older, I no longer board a train to anywhere. Newly named trains tempt me, but 'the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak.'

Recently, I heard the most delightful reason for getting away. This couple had gone on a road trip to the coastal region of the Western Ghats: Mangaluru, Moodbidri, Maravante, Murudeshwar and Majali, which is a fishing village in Karwar. There was also the thrill of climbing the Sadashivgadh, with the view of a sheer drop to the Arabian Sea, to the Bhavani temple on top, which Shivaji was rumoured to visit before going to battle. It was a mixed cup of joy and suffering.

Modern-day travel, with traffic pile-ups on highways and wild elephants and leopards crossing the road, made their toes curl with fear.

So it was with great relief that this middle-aged couple had returned intact after facing only minor challenges like stone-cold tea served at wayside dhabas and mosquito-ridden sleepless nights at home stays. All's well that ends well, sighed the gentleman happily. The best part of travel, said the gentleman, is when you are back home, rocking in your chair, and looking back on the highs and lows of your vacation. Yes, it was nice — the drive through the forest and the freedom from your daily hang-ups — but the nicest thing is to be back home, safe and sound — well, er, to your daily routine.

— Malathi Rao in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Antarctica's penguin post office gets one applicant

Port Lockroy: Applications are open to work in Antarctica's famous "penguin post office".

Successful applicants will be "self-motivated", "empathetic" and fine with showering once every two weeks.

The shop in Port Lockroy is the southernmost post office in the world and frequently smells like penguin poo.

Every year, the Antarctic Heritage Trust is flooded with applications for the jobs. This year, there are three positions on offer and they are only open to UK residents.

One applicant, charity manager Katie Shaw in Manchester, wants to go so much, she has tattooed a geographically accurate map of the Antarctic on one leg and a portrait of explorer Ernest Shackleton on the other.

Baby hedgehog is a pom pom from hat

Cheshire: A woman from Cheshire, England, rescued what she believed to be an abandoned baby hedgehog and took it to a local animal hospital, where veterinarians told her she had actually rescued the pom pom from a beanie hat.

The Lower Moss Wood Nature Reserve & Wildlife Hospital said in a Facebook post that the "kind soul" rescued what she thought was a very shy baby hedgehog and took it home.

She brought it to the animal hospital the next day, concerned that it hadn't "moved or pooped all night," veterinarian Janet Kotze said.

Veterinarians then informed the woman that she had actually rescued the pom pom from the top of a beanie hat.

Kotze said. "She said she could see something on the roadside that looked like a hedgehog."

HEALTH CAPSULE

Measures to prevent UTIs include staying hydrated, urinating frequently and completely, wiping from front to back after using the toilet (for women), avoiding the use of irritating feminine products, practicing good hygiene, wearing cotton underwear, and emptying the bladder soon after sexual intercourse.

By Dr. Shaheen Akhtar - Consultant - Obstetrics & Gynaecology - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

manipalhospitals LIFE'S ON

**** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

DST-funded Incubation Centre at GSSSIETW campus

Mysuru, Apr. 1- To enhance the Start-Up ecosystem of innovation and entrepreneurship in city, the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India, has sanctioned a grant of Rs. 3.75 crore to GSSS Institute of Engineering and Technology for Women (GSSSIETW), Mysuru, under National Initiative for Developing and Harnessing the Innovation (NIDHI) inclusive TBI (iTBI) scheme to establish incubation centre in the area of Food Processing, Agro Processing and Health Care. GSSS Management has contributed Rs. 75 lakh for setting up this Centre.

DST-iTBI GSSSTBIF invites proposals from Innovators and Start-Ups for providing ignition grants up to Rs. 10 lakh for those ideas that can be converted into a prototype/products and later for commercialisation. Innovators who avail the ignition grants shall be part of the Incubation Centre.

Dr. S. Padmashree, Professor, Department of ECE, GSSSIETW, is the Principal Investigator while Dr. S.J. Sushma and Dr. P. Raviraj are Co-Principal Investigators for this project.

For more details, Innovators and Start-Ups who want to be a part of this Incubation Centre at GSSS TBIF can call Mob: 99725-39652.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284.00 feet**	Maximum **2,859.00 feet**
Today's level **85.48 feet**	Today's level **2,265.04 feet**	Today's level **2,827.39 feet**
Last year's level **96.76 feet**	Last year's level **2,259.45 feet**	Last year's level **2,822.44 feet**
Yesterday's level **85.64 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,265.15 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,827.48 feet**
Today's Inflow **84 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **32 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **179 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **965 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **500 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **200 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***The river system of the Mississippi River and the Missouri Rivers is the longest river system in North America at 3,902 miles. It flows south into the Gulf of Mexico.***
- ***A lot of people think that rivers always flow south, but 4 of the 10 longest rivers in the world flow north.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Raj: *Guess how many coins I have in my pocket.*
Pravin: *If I guess it right, will you give me one of them?*
Raj: *If you guess it right, I will give you both of them!!*

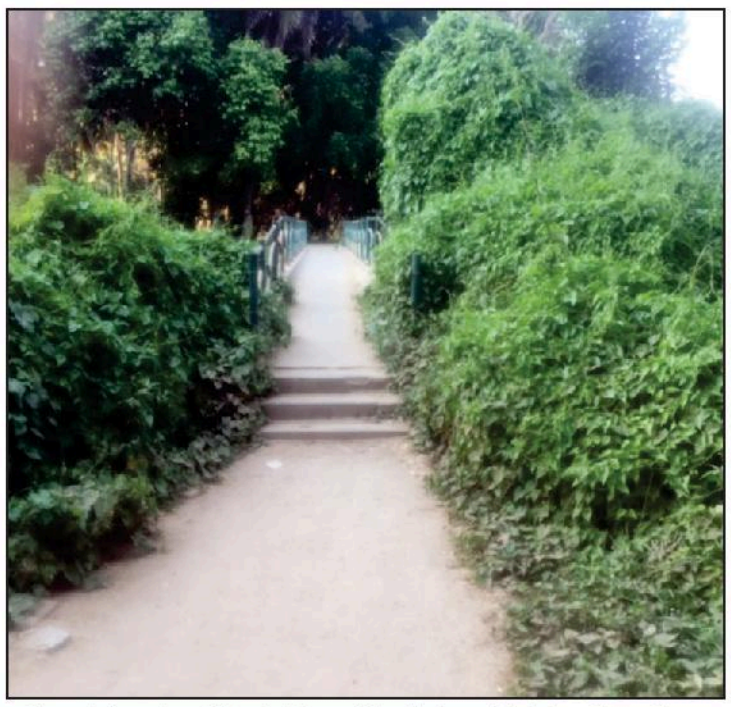
TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 83.38**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 105.29**
1 UAE Dirham	= **Rs. 22.70**
1 Euro	= **Rs. 89.96**

VOICE OF THE READER

Ramps needed at Kukkarahalli Lake

The ten steps inside Kukkarahalli Lake as soon as you enter the Lake from the second gate.



The picture is of the bridge at the Lake which has two steps.

Sir,

Kukkarahalli Lake is a spot visited by people of all ages from youngsters to elderly. I would like to point out that on the second gate side (Double Road side) as soon as you enter, there are ten steps that one needs to alight while going around the Lake.

Keeping in mind the need of elderly who have knee pain etc., I would suggest that a ramp be constructed so that even people with wheel-chair can go around the Lake.

Also there is a small bridge that needs to be crossed and even in that bridge there are two steps on one side where it needs to be converted into ramp for wheelchair access. This initiative will be part of implementing **accessible tourism** requirements at this tourist spot. Hope the Tourism Department authorities will ask University of Mysore, under whose maintenance the Lake comes, to build these two ramps.

—Sanjay Kini

Mysuru

28.3.2024

Corrections and Clarifications

Dr. Boverianda Nanjamma Chinappa cremated

In the obituary of Statistician and author Dr. Boverianda Nanjamma Chinappa (89), published in yesterday's *Star of Mysore*, it was inadvertently mentioned that 'her body was donated to the hospital.'

It may please be read as: 'Cremation took place in the afternoon at Harishchandra Ghat at the foot of Chamundi Hill,' according to family sources.—**Ed**

Former Chief Secretary calls for more reservation for women

Former Chief Secretary K. Ratna Prabha** (standing fourth from right), **who felicitated women achievers at a programme in city on Saturday, seen with WISE (ladies wing of MCCI) President T.A. Vasantha Kumari and others.

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (RK&DM)- Former Karnataka Chief Secretary K. Ratna Prabha has called upon women to exert pressure on Governments for more quantum of reservation for women.

She was speaking after inaugurating the International Women's Day celebration organised by Women In Small Enterprise (WISE), a ladies wing of Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) at a private hotel here recently.

Pointing out that digital marketing is increasingly becoming popular by the day, Ratna Prabha said women entrepreneurs should make use of this and expand their markets.

Noting that though the country's economy stands fifth in the world, the contribution of women in this growth is not more than 15-20 percent. This percentage should increase to 45-50, for which women should concentrate more on industry and entrepreneurship and the Governments too should promote women enterprises, she said observed.

Stressing on the need for a mutual co-ordination and understanding between women entrepreneurs, she said that proper networking is key for success in marketing.

"Women should save some money for their future. They should invest in saving schemes so that the money comes in handy for them in their old age", she said and called upon women entrepreneurs to always look for new opportunities for expanding their marketing network.

FKCCI Vice-President Uma Reddy, in her address, said that women entrepreneurs should identify themselves in frontline organisations and engage themselves in online platforms.

Writer Rupa Patil spoke about women entrepreneurs. Successful women entrepreneurs Shubha Sanjay Urs, Namrata Sunil Baliga, Shrilakshmi Desiraju and G. Nalini were felicitated on the occasion.

WISE President T.A. Vasantha Kumari presided. MCCI President K.B. Lingaraju, WISE Vice-Presidents Padmini Shivanna and Malini Srinivasan, office-bearers Shashikala Ashok, Kalpana Surendra, MCCI-WISE Manager B.R. Bharathi and others were present.

Federation of Music Sabhas felicitates Prof. R. Visweswaran

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (MK&TRR)- Prof. R. Visweswaran, who was conferred with 'Academy Ratna' Fellowship by the Kendra Sangeeta Academy, was warmly felicitated at a function organised by Federation of Music Sabhas, Mysuru, recently.

The function was held at Ganabharathi's Rama-Govinda Kalavedike, Kuvempunagar in the city.

The veteran musician was felicitated in the presence of Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, President of the Federation Dr. Rama V. Bennur and the office-bearers of more than 20 music and cultural organisations.

Prof. Visweswaran's wife Usha, Vidwan Narasimhamurthy and his wife Vidushi Rajalakshmi and Vidushi Sahana were also felicitated at the function.

"The talent blessed by God is more than one attained by family tradition. Only talent strengthens and nurtures tradition. Tradition cannot create talent and also cannot portray a non-existent talent. Talent exists among the sensibilities of tradition and it is essential that it should be inclusive of unanimity. There should be no room for any arrogance and arbitrariness. Qualification and eligibility are important to recognise talent. We should not be under the feeling that I have this talent because of my hardwork and perseverance. Rather we should be grateful to God for bestowing the eligibility to get the award."

— Prof. R. Visweswaran

Speaking after accepting the felicitation, Vidwan Visweswaran said that he was not overawed after getting the 'Academy Ratna' award. "I humbly consider the award as the order of Goddess Saraswati to receive the award on her behalf. This is my sincere feeling. I am a native of Mysuru and this honour also belongs to the people of Mysuru. This award is dedicated to the people of Mysuru, all my friends in the music field, my parents and to all those who love me and have a good opinion about me," said Prof. Visweswaran who later presented a Veena recital accompanied by H.L. Shivashankaraswamy on mridanga and Sharath Koushik on ghata.

NEWS BRIEFS

Discourse

Sri Sringeri Sharada Peetham's Junior Pontiff Sri Vidhushekhara Bharati Swamiji will be delivering a special discourse on Apr. 2 at 4 pm at Mulakanadu Bhavana, near Aishwarya Petrol Bunk, Vijayanagar 3rd stage, Hunsur Road in the city. [Mob: 98865-90060, 99161-38371]

Happiness course

Sri Ravishankar Guruji's Art of Living is conducting Happiness Course to achieve a stress-free, healthy, happy and peaceful life. This course includes knowledge sessions, pranayama, yoga, meditation and a powerful breathing technique called Sudarshan Kriya. The course will be held from April 2 to April 7. For details, contact Mob: 98457-23350 or 94480-48488.

Graduation Day

The Graduation Day of All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) will be held at its Seminar Hall, Knowledge Park, Naimisham Campus on April 2 at 10 am. Prof. N.K. Lokanath, Vice-Chancellor, University of Mysore (UoM), Mysuru will deliver the Graduation Day address. Dr. C.S. Vanaja, Principal, School of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology, Bharati Vidyapeeth, Pune, will be the chief guest. Dr. M. Pushpavathi, Director, AIISH, Mysuru will preside, according to a press release.

AIR stenographer passes away

Mysuru, Apr. 1- H.P. Srinivas (58), a Grade-1 Stenographer of Akashavani, Mysuru, passed away here on Sunday morning.

H.P. Srinivas

He leaves behind his wife, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi hill here yesterday evening, according to family sources.

Obituary

N. Padmaraj

Nanjangud, Apr. 1- N. Padmaraj (70), a steel trader of Nanjangud, passed away in the town on Sunday afternoon.

He leaves behind his wife, a son, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the burial ground near Parashurama Temple of the town today.

Petty thefts are a menace at K.R. Srinivasan IPS Nagar!

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (MK&BS)- Both active duty and retired men in uniform aka Policemen find themselves not immune to the scourge of petty theft, even within the confines of K.R. Srinivasan IPS Nagar — ironically with the name of the place boasting an 'IPS' (Indian Police Service) in it.

Nestled along the Outer Ring Road (ORR) en route to the T. Narasipur Road Junction, within Lalithadripura Third Stage, the community living in K.R. Srinivasan IPS Nagar comprises both serving and retired law enforcement personnel.

They grapple incessantly with the menace of petty thieves, who relentlessly target the under-construction homes within their precincts. Predominantly, the thieves aim for electric wires and cables, items valued at several lakhs of rupees.

This residential enclave, developed by the Karnataka State Police Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation, has witnessed a surge in theft incidents over the past month, with five to six reported cases involving stolen electric cables and motors.

Despite the installation of CCTV surveillance systems to monitor the area, the perpetrators remain undeterred, seizing whatever valuable items they can lay their hands on and evading capture.

In some instances, the audacious thieves have even dismantled switchboards from the under-construction buildings. Unlike heavier metals, the lightweight nature of cables facilitates their swift pilfering, posing a significant challenge to law enforcement efforts.

On Mar. 19, thieves once again breached a residence through its rear entrance, where a recently installed electric line served as their target. They absconded with cables valued at Rs. 80,000. This wasn't the first time the household fell victim; four months prior, the same perpetrators made off with motor wires totalling Rs. 15,000 to Rs. 20,000 in value.

In a separate incident, cables worth Rs. 1.5 lakh were pilfered from yet another home. These recurring thefts paint a dire picture, leaving even those tasked with upholding the law clamouring for enhanced security measures.

A retired Police Inspector lamented, "The rampant theft of electric cables persists unabated in our vicinity. Three neighbouring under-construction houses have also been targeted, resulting in losses amounting to several lakhs of rupees. It's disheartening to witness such brazen criminal activity become a routine occurrence."

Echoing the sentiment, another resident expressed their frustration, stating,"It's truly shameful to witness the deterioration of the department we once proudly served. Despite our repeated pleas, nocturnal Police patrols remain conspicuously absent, leaving us vulnerable to such crimes under the cover of darkness."

No FIRs booked at Alanahalli Police Station despite reports of multiple thefts

In K.R. Srinivasan IPS Nagar, the reluctance to register FIRs extends beyond the typical bureaucratic hurdles faced by common citizens. Despite residing within a community populated by law enforcement personnel, the same challenges persist.

It appears that the desire to maintain low crime rates, perhaps to appease higher authorities, takes precedence over addressing the concerns of residents. This systemic issue further exacerbates the plight of victims, who find themselves without recourse or official documentation of their grievances.

According to the victims of theft, despite filing a complaint at the jurisdictional Alanahalli Police Station, the response was disappointingly perfunctory. While they offered a mere assurance of conducting a spot visit, no FIR was registered.

Regrettably, beyond this cursory visit, no tangible action was taken. The lack of patrols and failure to apprehend the thieves leave the residents questioning the ability of the Alanahalli Police to safeguard the community.

Residents, burdened with loans taken to build their homes, are now grappling with escalating expenses due to theft. With each incident, the dream of completing construction on schedule becomes increasingly elusive, leaving residents disheartened and frustrated.

H.D. Kumaraswamy reaches out to Mandya MP Sumalatha

Bengaluru, Apr. 1- Former Chief Minister and JD(S) State President H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK), who is contesting as the NDA candidate from Mandya Lok Sabha Constituency, met BJP backed independent incumbent MP Sumalatha Ambarish, wife of late actor Ambarish, at her residence here on Sunday and sought her co-operation in the election.

The JD(S) has been allotted the Mandya seat as per a seat sharing pact reached between the BJP and the JD(S).

Terming the meeting as most cordial, Kumaraswamy said late Ambarish's residence was not new to him. "I and Ambarish have spent several years together. As I am filing nomination on Apr. 4, I have come here seeking Sumalatha's co-operation," he said adding that they discussed several issues with an open mind that cannot be spoken about in public.

He reiterated that he will file his nomination papers at Mandya on Apr. 4 after Sumalatha, the outgoing MP, conveys her 'final decision.'

In 2019, Sumalatha, who contested as an independent candidate from Mandya LS seat, caused an upset after she triumphed against Nikhil Kumaraswamy, son of H.D. Kumaraswamy, who was then the Chief Minister of JD(S)- Congress coalition Government, with support from the BJP, KRRS and tacit support of the Congress.

Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambarish and Abhishek Ambarish, her son, seen greeting former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy at their residence in Bengaluru on Sunday.

S. Lokesh elected as Mysore Bar Association President

Senior Advocate S. Lokesh** (second from right among four in garlands), **who was elected as President of Mysore Bar Association, seen with other elected members of the Association at the Court Complex in city yesterday.

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (SBD&DM)- Senior Advocate S. Lokesh, who is also a faculty of Sarada Vilas Law College in the city, was elected as the new President of Mysore Bar Association, in the elections held yesterday.

Lokesh, who bagged 1021 votes, defeated his nearest rival S. Srikrishna (1007 votes) by a slender margin of just 14 votes, while another contestant M.R. Anand came third with 714 votes.

M.V. Chandrashekar (893 votes) was elected as the Vice-President, A.G. Sudheer (1830 votes) as Secretary, H.B. Bharath (904 votes) as Treasurer, K.R. Charanraj (1103 votes) as Joint Secretary and B.V. Vinoda (1118 votes) as Joint Secretary-Woman.

This apart, senior advocates G.S. Shivaswamy (1632 votes), R. Kanyakumari (1436 votes), K.S. Andani (1197 votes), Krishna S. Katavkar (1159 votes) and A.B. Pradeep Kumar (1140 votes), were elected as senior members of the Association.

Also, K. Devaraj (1297 votes), M. Umesh (1223 votes), M. Kishore Keerthi (1207 votes), J. Lokesh (1175 votes) and M.B. Deepu (1023 votes) were elected as junior members of the Association.

As many as 2772 out of the 3361 eligible members of the Bar Association cast their ballots in the polls held at the Mysore Law Courts Complex on Sunday.

The counting of votes was taken up after the polling ended at 4 pm and the results were announced a couple of hours later. B. Raju was the Returning Officer.

A simple wedding that touched many hearts

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (BCT)- In an era marked by extravagant weddings, a touching incident emerged from Mysuru where a young man stepped forward to marry a woman who watches over the footwear left by devotees at a temple in Mysuru.

This heartening gesture was met with warmth and support from the temple management, who, in a remarkable display of solidarity, pooled together funds collected from employees and management committee members to conduct the marriage ceremony.

The wedding took place yesterday, Mar. 31, at 10.30 am, in the premises of Sree Ayyappa Swamy Temple at the foot of Chamundi Hill. The bride, G. Asha, is the daughter of temple staff member Ganesh, while the groom, Nagaraju, hails from Hallimaranahalli in Kanakapura Taluk and is the son of Kabbaiah.

For many years, Asha has dedicated herself to the humble task of tending to the footwear left behind by devotees before they entered the temple's inner sanctum sanctorum, subsisting on modest earnings. Impressed by her unwavering commitment, Nagaraju was moved to propose marriage, a gesture warmly welcomed by Asha's family and elders from both sides.

Touched by Nagaraju's gesture, the management of Sree Ayyappa Swamy Temple generously offered to host the wedding ceremony. Employees and members of the management committee rallied together, contributing funds to cover the expenses of the celebration. The ceremony was performed under the guidance of temple priest Narayan Namboodiri.

Following the exchange of garlands and vows, guests and attendees were treated to a lunch. Such acts of compassion and community spirit serve as poignant reminders of the enduring power of love and kindness within our society.

'Banks promoting women's self-employment'

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (MK&TRR)- Bank of India, Udayagiri branch Manager S. Muralidhar has said that women can make use of various schemes implemented by State and Central Governments and become self-employed.

He was speaking after inaugurating a function organise to commemorate the International Women's Day, organised by Federation of Ashraya Pragati Sangha comprising of 65 women organisations at Safa Function Hall, Udayagiri in the city, recently.

"If women approach Banks for loans to become self-employed under various schemes of the Government, they will easily get them," said Manager S. Muralidhar.

Director of Federation Indian Women Entrepreneurs (FIWE) Divyaraj Kamaiah, who participated as the chief guest said that the Association is assisting interested women right from the stage of submitting applications to providing them training to make them self-employed." Last year, more than 200 men and women and unemployed youth were given training in fishing, packaging of food products and others and empowered them financially," added Divyaraj Kamaiah.

At the function, certificates were given to Jayanti, Bhavani, Nagaveni, Chandana and Rashmi for successfully completing the free training from Khadi Grameena Udyog. Similarly, 20 persons who are undergoing training were given equipment and tool kits at the function. Women civic workers were warmly felicitated as part of the International Women's Day at the function.

Federation President Chandramma, Ganga Charitable Trust President Raj Kamaiah, Mysuru District Kannada Rajyotsava awardee Vidyasagara Kadamaba, Social worker Premkumari Vidyasagara, former Endowment Trustee of Chamundeshwari Hill, Chamundi Temple, Savita Phadkar and others were present at the function.

'Nade Nudiya Haadi' book released

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (MTY&DM)- Former faculty, Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies, University of Mysore, Dr. Preeti Shubhachandra said activist Dr. Rati Rao took part in a lot of struggles for the upliftment of women and rendering justice to women victims.

She was speaking at the International Women's Day celebration and 'Nade Nudiya Haadi' book release programme organised jointly by Karnataka Mahila Dourjanya Virodhi Okkoota and Aparajithe Prakashana at Sriranga in Rangayana premises here recently.

Pointing out that a situation where women have to beg for their rights and facilities should not come, Dr. Preeti said it is the responsibility of the administrative system to provide women their rights and facilities. "The book has many inspirational narratives on women having broken the family walls to take part in social struggles. The book has been divided into two parts regarding the struggles and writings of Activist Dr. Rati Rao and her aides. The book also finds an answer on how women can engage themselves in life struggles", she said.

Observing that the book has recorded and documented the struggles of women in Karnataka, she said that the book lucidly explains how Dr. Rati Rao took part in the struggles against officialdom for the cause of the oppressed and exploited women in the society.

Prof. R. Indira in her address, said that Dr. Rati Rao always explained with patience while answering questions on the mysteries of Science.

Senior theatre personality Rameshwari Varma presided. Samata Vedike's Meera Nayak, Akhila Bharata Pragatipara Mahila Sanghatane President Dr. E. Rati Rao, Aparajithe Prakashana's Meena Mysore, Sabiha Bhumigowda, N. Divakar and others were present.

Divine blessings indispensable to success, fulfilment in life

Sri Vidushekhara Bharati Swamiji delivers benediction at Muguru Karnataka Brahmana Sangha

Mysuru, Apr.1 (PM&VNS) - Sri Vidushekhara Bharati Swamiji, the 37th pontiff of Shri Jagadguru Shankaracharya Mahasamsthanam, Dakshinamnaya Sri Sharada Peetham, Sringeri, is currently on a week-long visit to Mysuru to participate in the centenary celebrations of Abhinava Shankaralaya in the city.

During his visit, he paid a special visit to Sri Sharadanikethana of Muguru Karnataka Brahmana Sangha located on JLB Road, where he delivered an enlightening discourse last evening.

Addressing the gathering, the Swamiji underscored the importance of divine blessings in achieving success and fulfilment in life. He emphasised the significance of religious practices and diligence towards Dharma for human beings. According to Swamiji, while striving diligently in our endeavours is crucial, it is equally vital to seek divine blessings.

"In our pursuit of success, it is essential to recognise that divine blessings are indispensable," Swamiji remarked. "God has bestowed each individual with unique abilities, and it is only through God's grace that we can realise our full potential. We must harness our abilities and dedicate ourselves wholeheartedly to our endeavours, trusting that divine blessings will guide us along the path to success."

The discourse resonated with the audience, offering profound insights into the interplay between human effort and divine grace on the journey towards spiritual and material fulfilment.

Highlighting the profound impact of Adi Shankaracharya's teachings on religious reform, the Swamiji emphasised the importance of striking a harmonious balance between worldly pursuits and religious observances. He underscored that religious practices are indispensable for achieving success in the external realm.

"Adi Shankaracharya incarnated to refine the path of religion," Swamiji asserted, "and we need to maintain equilibrium between our worldly engagements and spiritual practices. Without the foundation of religious observances, navigating the challenges of the external world becomes arduous."

Furthermore, Vidushekhara Bharati Swamiji urged devotees to dedicate meaningful time to meditation, stressing its purifying effect on the soul and its capacity to bestow inner peace.

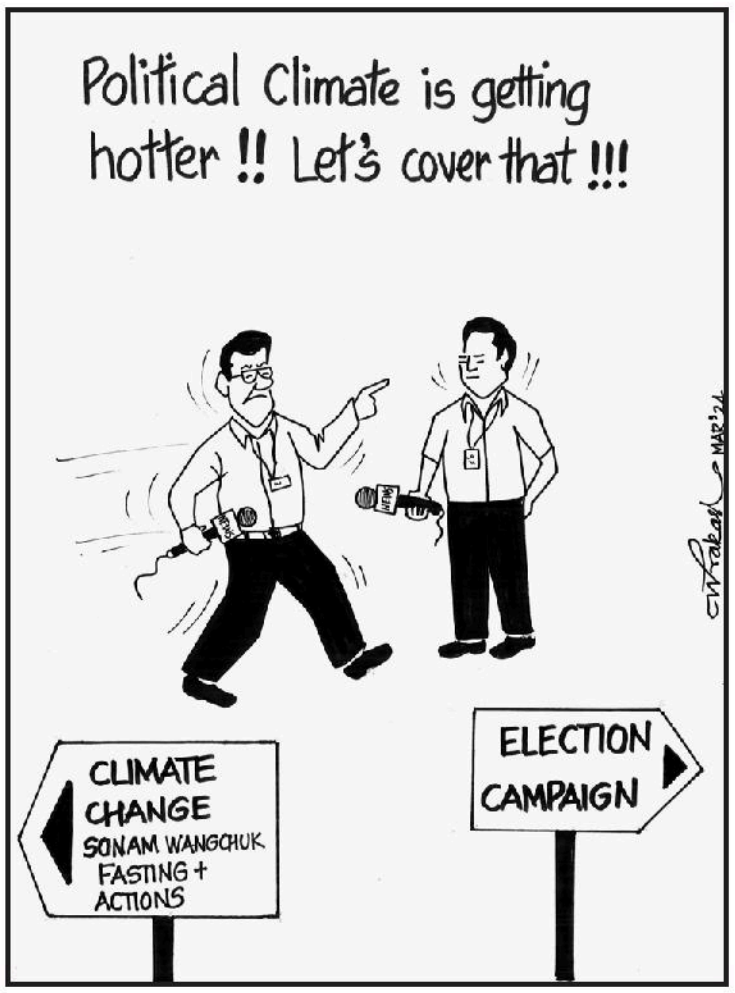
"True peace resides within us, not in external possessions," the Swamiji reminded the audience. "While worldly comforts may provide temporary solace, genuine peace emanates from within."

Earlier in the day, the Swamiji received a warm and traditional welcome from the office-bearers of Muguru Brahmana Sangha. Following the discourse, Swamiji distributed prasadam in the form of fruits and mantrakshathe to the devotees.

Former MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, former Corporators M.V. Ramprasad, Karnataka Brahmana Mahasabha Vice President N. Srikantakumar, Muguru Karnataka Brahmana Sangha President M. Vishwanathaiah, Secretary K.R. Manjunath, and Directors T.S. Gopinath, Homma Manjunath, Srikanta Sharma, Nagashayana, among others were present.

TEASER

By N. Prakash


Political Climate is getting hotter !! Let's cover that !!!
CLIMATE CHANGE
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Property Tax goes up

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The guidance value is calculated considering the current market conditions and potential and by hiking the guidance value by 30 to 50 percent, the Government aims to reduce the gap between guidance value and actual property prices.

Tax rate influencers

The key influencers of guidance value are location (good connectivity and infrastructure) type of property and usage (residential, commercial, agricultural or industrial), infrastructure development (connectivity, landmarks and public transport) and superior amenities. Accordingly, Property Tax in areas having these influencers will see an increase, MCC Commissioner Dr. Madhu explained.

"There is no uniform Property Tax in Mysuru and it will differ from area to area based on the key influencers. For example, the tax rates in the Central Business District (CBD) will go up along with other commercial areas based on the land use," she added.

It may be mentioned here that the MCC Council increased Property Taxes by 15 percent which came into effect from Apr. 1, 2021. Subsequently, the Property Tax was not increased in 2022 and 2023 as the elected representatives opposed it, terming it an anti-people move.

Avail five percent rebate

The MCC has extended a five percent discount as per the Karnataka Municipal Corporation Act, 1976, to property owners, who pay their revised Property Tax for the year 2024-25, in April 2024. In a press release, the MCC Commissioner said that the five percent rebate on Property Tax will be in force in April and property owners can avail this benefit till Apr. 30 on all working days. Payment can be made at all MCC Zonal Offices.

Accidents, deaths see a surge

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In the majority of accident cases, motorists tragically succumbed to head injuries on the spot before any assistance could be provided. "Around 70 percent of these accidents are attributed to negligent driving by young individuals," Traffic ACP Parashuramappa said.

He highlighted that overspeeding and failure to wear helmets were primary factors contributing to accidents involving two-wheelers. Furthermore, many incidents occurred due to drivers losing control of their vehicles after sudden braking or while navigating turns. Consequently, vehicles collided with road dividers, electric poles and various roadside structures, resulting in devastating outcomes.

Rectifying black spots: "We have reached out to the Public Works Department to initiate road re-engineering projects in several areas," said the Traffic ACP emphasising the urgent need to address safety hazards faced by road users, particularly in locations identified as Black Spots. He urged officials to prioritise resolution of this issue.

These Black Spots are characterised by various factors such as sharp drops or bends in straight roads, poor visibility at concealed junctions along high-speed routes or insufficient warning signage at intersections. A stretch of road spanning 500 metres that witnesses over 10 accidents resulting in loss of life within three years earns the designation of a Black Spot.

Judicial custody for Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal till April 15

Totally non-cooperative and evasive: ED tells Court

New Delhi, Apr. 1 (Agencies)- Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal was today sent to 15-day judicial custody in connection with the Delhi liquor policy case. Delhi's Rouse Avenue Court delivered the verdict following the end of Kejriwal's custody with the Enforcement Directorate (ED) today.

Arvind Kejriwal

During the hearing, Additional Solicitor General S.V. Raju, appearing for the ED, said that the agency is not asking for further remand in light of the Supreme Court's recent judgment in Senthil Balaji's case.

Raju argued that Kejriwal's conduct in the lock-up was totally non-cooperative and he was providing authorities with evasive replies. He also claimed that the Delhi Chief Minister was misleading (the) investigation into the liquor case. "In future, we may require custody. That's the only purpose [of the statement]," Raju told the court.

Arvind Kejriwal's lawyers have also moved an application to allow the Delhi Chief Minister to carry three books - Bhagavad Geeta, Ramayan and How Prime Ministers Decide by journalist Neerja Chaudhary - in jail.

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Yaduveer gets 'B' Form, files first set of papers

State BJP Vice-President M. Rajendra and City BJP President L. Nagendra handing over the 'B' Form to Yaduveer Wadiyar at his residence in Mysore Palace this morning as Pramoda Devi Wadiyar and other party leaders look on. Picture right shows Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar submitting his first set of nomination papers to Mysuru DC Dr. K.V. Rajendra, who is also the Returning Officer, at the DC Office in Siddarthanagar this noon.

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (RK&DM)- With three days to go for the last date (Apr. 4) for filing of nomination papers, BJP candidate from Mysuru-Kodagu LS Constituency filed his first set of nomination papers at the Office of the Returning Officer in Deputy Commissioner's Office on Bannur Road, this morning.

Yaduveer is said to have filed his nomination papers today following the advice from Palace astrologers. He was accompanied by Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, KR MLA T.S. Srivatsa, BJP City Vice President Rudramurthy and party leader Pradeep.

Earlier in the morning, State BJP Vice-President M. Rajendra and BJP City President L. Nagendra handed over the 'B' Form to Yaduveer at his residence in Mysore Palace premises.

Later, the party leaders are said to have discussed the poll strategies and campaigning for some time.

K.R. MLA T.S. Srivatsa, former MLAs S.A. Ramdas and Preetham Gowda, former MLC Siddaraju, Mysuru District BJP President L.R. Mahadevaswamy and others were present.

Yaduveer is scheduled to file another set of nomination papers on Apr. 3 in the presence of State BJP President B.Y. Vijayendra and other top leaders.

Jatti community extends support to Yaduveer Wadiyar

Mysuru, Apr.1 (MK&DM)- The Jatti community, which has a close association with the Mysore Palace, has announced its support for Mysuru-Kodagu Lok Sabha Constituency BJP Candidate Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar.

Yaduveer was warmly felicitated by the Jatti community at a programme held at Sadananda Subba Jettappa Garadi Prarthana Mandira and Sri Nimishamba Temple premises in Nazarbad yesterday.

The community members pledged their support to Yaduveer Wadiyar on the occasion.

Speaking after being felicitated, Yaduveer said that the Jatti community is indeed a Parivar of Mysore Palace. Pointing out though he used to usually meet the community members during Dasara celebration, Yaduveer said that it was indeed a pleasure for him to have met the community members now. Maintaining that the Jatti community has been supportive of the erstwhile Mysuru Rulers for long, he sought the support of the community for safeguarding the country now just as they did during the rule of the Maharajas.

Stressing on the need for strengthening the hands of PM Modi, he assured that the Mysore Palace would always stand by Jatti community and no one need not have any doubts regarding this.

MLA T.S.Srivatsa in his address, said that the BJP national leaders have brought in Yaduveer to politics taking into consideration the development of old Mysuru region. Pointing out that it was the erstwhile Mysuru rulers who advocated equality even before independence, he appealed the people to vote for Yaduveer and thus strengthen the hands of PM Modi.

State BJP OBC Morcha President Rahgu R. Kautilya too spoke and appealed the people to vote for Yaduveer.

City BJP President L. Nagendra, former Mayors Sandesh Swamy and Shivakumar, KEA Former Chairman B.P. Manjunath, BJP leaders H.G. Giridhar and Satish, Jatti community leaders Srikantu Jattappa, M. Kiran and others were present.

Earlier, former KEA Chairman B.P. Manjunath, rendered a song written by Hanasoge Somashekar ' Mareyodunte Mysuru Doreyaa...', in praise of Yaduveer.

'Congress confident of winning 20 LS seats in Karnataka'

Siddaramaiah

Mysuru, Apr.1(BLU&DM)- Asserting that the Congress would win at least 20 LS seats in Karnataka, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah pooh-poohed BJP's claims that the party (BJP) would win 400 seats in the country and thus retain power at the Centre. He also said that the BJP would not even win 200 seats and would lose power at the Centre.

Speaking to presspersons upon his arrival at Mandakalli Airport here this morning for poll campaign, Siddaramaiah, referring to Modi's statement that the development in 10 years was just a trailer and many more is yet to come in the near future, wondered whether there has been any development at all under PM Modi.

Noting that the people are not fools to fall prey to what he called the false propaganda of Modi, Siddaramaiah accused the PM of hijacking the word 'Guarantee' which was first used by the Congress for its pre-poll guarantees for the benefit and welfare of the poor.

When asked about his son

CM to camp in Mysuru for three days

Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah's remark that Union Home Minister Amit Shah was a 'goonda', the CM, defending his son, said Dr. Yathindra had merely quoted a CBI report concerning the Gujarat riots and violence and as such there was nothing wrong in his statement.

When asked about JD(S) supremo H.D. Deve Gowda's statement that the people will bring down the arrogance of Siddaramaiah, the CM said he was not arrogant and was merely telling the truth. "Does telling the truth means arrogance?', he shot back.

Continuing his tirade against PM Modi, Siddaramaiah questioned the PM's contribution to the State and said that what all Modi is saying is utterly false. The people should not believe or trust the PM, he added.

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, Animal Husbandry Minister K. Venkatesh and other party leaders were present.

The CM later left by road to Biligere in Varuna constituency for poll campaign.

Actress Roopa Iyer felicitates women achievers

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (SPN&TRR)- Kannada film actress and Director Roopa Iyer felicitated 30 women achievers from various fields including social, cultural, health, education, humanities and others, recently at a function jointly organised by Mysuru Jilla Bramhana Yuva Vedike and Vipra Sahayavani at a Kalyan Mantap in Vishweshwaranagar, Mysuru.

Writer Pushpa Iyengar (literature), Dr. C.K. Vanamala (education), Dr. Rekha Manahshanti (medical), Jayashri Shivaram (social), H.A. Sumathi (education),Yadugiri (culture), Anasuya S. Rajeev (media), Vidushi Srivani (music), Gayathri Sundaresh (literature), M.N. Latha Mohan (organisation), H.S. Nagarathna (social), Chuda Rathnamma (culture), Tushar N. Bharadwaj (culture), Latha Hegde (literature), N.R. Roopashri (education), Parvathi S. Kashikar (literature), S.G. Vijaya (sports), Vidushi Anasuya Sudarshan (music), Preethi Appaiah (sports), B.K. Parimithi (arts), Dr. Sanjana Kumar (medical), R. Akshata (arts), V. Malini (music), G. Suma (environment), P.S. Lakshmi (science), H.R. Lakshmishri (arts), Vidushi Soumya S. Rani (dance), P.R. Sarvamangala (literature), P.N. Shobha and S. Nethra (Bharatanatyam) were felicitated at the function.

Speaking after felicitating women achievers, Roopa Iyer said that women are being recognised for their achievements in all walks of life. "Through their hardwork, perseverance and dedication, women are earning recognition on par with men in all the fields including economic, social, cultural, literature, educational and other fields. She is marching ahead successfully despite her personal and family problems which is no ordinary matter," added Roopa Iyer.

Mysuru City and District Brahmins Association President D.T. Prakash, leaders K. Raghuram Vajapayee, business woman Jhanavi Murthy, President of Hoysala Karnataka Sangha K.R. Sathyanarayana, President of Vipra Mahila Sangama Lakshmidevi and others were present at the felicitation function.

Artiste, entrepreneur feted

Mysuru, Apr.1 (SPN&DM)- Women achievers from different fields - Vidushi Pavani Bharadwaj of Akashavani, Bengaluru and Varsha Srikantaswamy, Proprietor of Akruti Eco-friendly enterprises, Ummathur in Chamarajanagar district, were felicitated in the presence of Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji at a programme organised for the inauguration of Chamarajeshwari Akkana Balaga, at Navajyothi auditorium in JSS Women's College premises, Saraswathipuram, here recently.

Speaking on the occasion, Advocate and woman activist Sumana regretted that women have to fight for their political, social, academic and financial freedom even in the fast changing twenty first century.

Observing that it is delightful to note that women have been forming organisations to carry out social service as an effort to make women self-reliant, Sumana said women empowerment is key for the growth of women in all fronts.

Pointing out that the Suttur Mutt has been identifying and honouring achiever women, Sumana said she had a word of advise for the office-bearers of the newly formed Chamarajeshwari Akkana Balaga and gave some tips to them on addressing women issues and coming to their help.

Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graced the occasion. Sharana Sahitya Parishat City Unit President M.G. Sadanandaiah, Kadali Mahila Vedike President Sharada Shivalingaswamy, Balaga President Madalambike Nanjundaswamy, office-bearers Manjula Nanjundaswamy, Pratima Manjunath, Suma Nandish, Prabhavathi Chandrashekar, Mamatha Shivashankar, Mangala Muddumadappa, Vijaya Chinnaswamy, Indira Paramashivaiah, members Uma Mahadevaswamy, Shylaja Mahadevaswamy, Sujatha Shivaprakash, Savitha Chayakumar, Vani Basappa, Sudha Vijaykumar, Nithya Praveen, Rekha Nagasundar, Tejaswini Suresh, Renuka Mallikarjuna, Sunitha Guru, Sudha Vijaykumar and others were present.

Ahalyabai Holkar Awards presented

Mysuru, Apr.1 (GA&TRR)- At a function organised by Mysuru Kannada Vedike to commemorate International Women's Day at Pathrakartara Bhavan in the city recently, women achievers from various fields were conferred with 'Ahalyabai Holkar' awards.

Speaking at the function, Government Assistant Public Prosecutor (APP) A.I. Divya said that though women have overtaken men in many fields and have recorded progress in their careers, atrocities are still continuing against women. 'We have many rights for women as well as laws to protect women from atrocities and we should be aware of them. Women should be paid equally at work places as per labour laws. Also,there are laws to safeguard women from family atrocities as well. It is the intention of International Women's Day to create awareness among womenfolk about their rights and protection available to them under various laws," added APP Divya.

Women achievers M. Manonmani, Dhanalakshmi, Rukmini Chandran, Dr. Jyothi Rechanna, P.S. Padmalatha, S. Shwetha, Sanjana, K. Sangeeta, Saroja Bai and Lakshmi were conferred with Ahalayabai Holkar awards. Journalist Rashmi Koti, Dr. K. Leela Prakash, Bharati, Vedike President S. Balakrishna, Naala Beedhi Ravi, Malini, Kaveramma and others were present at the function.

'Women should get a quality life'

Mysuru, Apr. 1 (MTY&DM)- Noted Humourist Prof. M. Krishnegowda said that women should get equal opportunities in all fields, including politics. Only then shall women empowerment get true meaning, he said.

He was speaking at the 'Women's Day' celebration organised jointly by City Unit of Akhila Bharata Sharana Sahitya Parishat and Kadali Mahila Vedike at Rajendra Bhavan in JSS hospital premises here recently.

Pointing out that Governments should give more prominence to women development, Prof. Krishnegowda said women have the capacity to do several things at a time. Giving women good training and opportunities will help a lot in women centric development, he observed.

DCRE SP Dr. B.T. Kavitha in her address, said that it is important that women get quality life. Observing that all women members in a family becoming self-reliant is the real woman empowerment, she said that the clothes and jewellery we wear and having a own house does not essentially mean quality life.

A good understanding and affectionate bonding between wife and husband which lead to a happy and contentful life is the real quality life, she noted. Women should make the future generations too understand this concept of life, she added.

Continuing, Kavitha said that the time has come to wonder to what extent women empowerment has been done in the country.

"Women have become Prime Minister and Chief Ministers in the country. They have also made a mark for themselves in all spheres and sectors," she said.

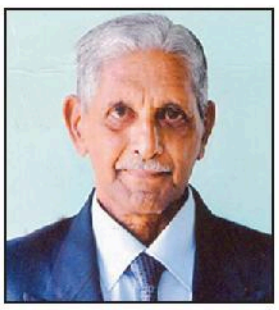
Stressing that women should not spend money recklessly, she said that a family where discretion is used in spending money is certainly going to develop further.

KSOU Faculty Dr. Jyothi Shankar, who was felicitated on the occasion, regretted that everyone are getting addicted to mobile phones these days. This has resulted in several family problems, she said adding that everyone should use their cell phones with discretion.

Sharana Sahitya Parishat City Unit President M.G. Sadanandaiah, Kadali Mahila Vedike President Sharada Shivalingaswamy, Secretary Vagdevi and others were present on the occasion.

Excellence

not a mirage, but a pursuit



By Dr. K.B. Chinnappa
Retired Professor of Physical Education, Bangalore University

Quality of man's life is in direct proportion with his commitment for excellence, regardless of his chosen field of endeavour, said Lombardi, a Socialist.

Today's world is on a fast track. Every success has to better the previous one. One should not think, 'I thought I knew all the answers until I realised that someone was playing with the questions.'

Competition is all pervasive and complexity is the order of the day. Change is a constant happening and updating is the need of the second. Demand by the people has sky-rocketed and mediocrity is not accepted by anyone. In every field, excellence is the benchmark. Then a doubt arises on what is excellence?

Excellence is **doing one's duty outstandingly plus more.** This extra more gives an extra edge to the doing that is required to excel. There is no ready-made prescription available to inject excellence. Excellence auto happens when one stretches oneself an extra mile.

To attain excellence **be communicative.** It is a big deal. Effective communication in whatever form, could be defined as, 'Intended meaning to comprehend what is truly expressed.' To make it clearer, others must 'see' what one 'says,' may be oral, written or non-verbal. One has to mean what one says and also say what one means. Contradictions, if any, may lead to conflicts which may hinder in attaining excellence.

BE CO-OPERATIVE

In today's fast moving and inter-dependant world, know each other, talk and exchange views with each other and try to understand each other. These will make an excellent team.

'Unity is strength,' 'Team work has no equal,' 'United we stand' — all these universal truths have made Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) successfully launch the space rocket and very successfully and precisely land gently the lander on the surface of the moon.

Be competent: Unless one does something beyond than what one has mastered the skill to do, he will not grow beyond to excel. Consistent performance and continuous improvement are the only ways to stay in this dog eat dog world. Progress is the hallmark. Be a good player and try to become a skilful innovative player to excel.

Compare not with the self, instead compete with the self and also with the standard set. Take stock, but do not look back. If you slow a little someone will overtake. Take chances as challenges to improve to excel. Sergey Nazarovych Bubka, then a Soviet Union Pole Vaulter, had no challengers who have cleared 20 feet 1 ½ inches in Olympics, so he challenged himself 35 times

to etch his name in the Hall of Fame.

BE CREATIVE

To develop creativity set a target and honestly try to achieve the target within the set time. John. F. Kennedy, the then the President of USA, had set a target of 10 years to reach the moon and he did achieve the target within the time set.

Narendra Modi, the Prime Minister of India, has set a target of 12 years for India to host the 2036 Summer Olympics in India. By looking at the planning and the preparations Indians feel that the target would be achieved within the time set.

Creativity is not the generation of new ideas alone, but the effect of perseverance to see the idea blossoms to reality. Creativity is not a one time game, but it is a continuous craving within to be consistently creative. Do not ponder as to why things cannot be done, think of all the possibilities and the creativity happen as a routine.

BE CUSTOMER-RELEVANT

Anybody related to or deals with another is a customer. While dealing, customer satisfaction is not just enough, instead customer attraction after the customer delight is more important to thrive in whatever business one is doing. There can be no friendship without confidence and no confidence without integrity. Compassion, character and commitment also contribute to raise the quality of integrity.

Student community, especially must realise their potential, inner urge and power. **Persistence and perseverance they should have along with knowledge-hunger.** Students must realise that when 'better' is better than good, then improvement over better is possible. If a student is techno-comfort then he will be with flaming enthusiasm backed by horse sense. Only the thrusting mind will find the way to progress. The clarion call of Swami Vivekananda should spur them to progress (Awake, arise and stop not till the goal is reached).

In this direction it is usually said that if the two eyes are afraid and doubt how to complete the volume of work (study) then the two hands are ready and they just start the work and the body admires how the hands did the work. This is made possible by scrupulously following three 'R's:

RECEIVE with attention and concentration what is taught in the class, clearing all the doubts then and there. Then try to retain them in the mind according to the universal truth.

'REPETITION helps retention' and 'practice maketh perfect' by doing homework, participating in group discussion, doing projects, doing practicals in the laboratories and also by studying the related literature in the library. In this way, what is learnt in the class will be consolidated in the mind. Then the students will be eager to **RECALL** all the matter stored at the time of test or examination as the mind is super-saturated with knowledge and the examination will be a pleasurable pastime for them and they write the examination as if they are playing their favourite game (as per Modiji).

The outcome of the result of the examination will definitely be fruitful and enjoyable and cherishable and the students feel that they are on the right path in pursuit of excellence.

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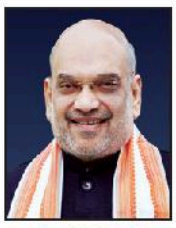
Amit Shah's Road Show

in Channapatna tomorrow

Bengaluru, Apr. 1 (Agencies)- Union Home Minister Amit Shah will kick off the BJP's election campaign in Karnataka from Bangalore Rural Constituency by holding a Road Show along with JD(S) State President and former CM H.D. Kumaraswamy at Channapatna tomorrow.



Amit Shah

The Constituency will witness a keen contest between two heavy weights — NDA candidate Dr. C.N. Manjunath and Congress MP D.K. Suresh.

Amit Shah, who will arrive in Bengaluru this evening, will hold breakfast meeting with both BJP and JD(S) leaders including former PM H.D. Deve Gowda, former CMs B.S. Yediyurappa, Basavaraj Bommai and H.D. Kumaraswamy, former Minister Govind Karjol, BJP State President B.Y. Vijayendra tomorrow morning before addressing the party convention in Bangalore North, South, Central, Rural and Chikkaballapur Constituencies from Palace Grounds.

Home Minister Shah is also expected to hold meetings with BJP leaders from Chikkaballapur, Tumakuru, Chitradurga, Davanagere, Belagavi and Bidar to resolve the internal rebellion and other issues in the Constituencies.

Star campaigners for State Congress

Bengaluru, Apr. 1- The Congress Party yesterday released the list of its 40 star campaigners from Karnataka that also included two-time Rajya Sabha member Syed Naseer Hussein whose supporters have been accused of raising pro-Pakistan slogans in Vidhana Soudha.

AICC President M. Mallikarjun Kharge leads the list that has former Congress Presidents Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi, Party General Secretary Priyanka Gandhi, CM Siddaramaiah and Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar.

A host of Cabinet Ministers, including Eshwar Khandre, whose son Sagar Khandre is contesting from Bidar; Satish Jharkiholi, whose daughter Priyanka Jarkiholi is contesting from Chikkodi; and Madhu Bangarappa, whose sister Geetha Shivarajkumar is contesting from Shivamogga, on Congress ticket, have been named in the list. Congress General Secretary (Organisation) K.C. Venugopal, General Secretaries Randeep Singh Surjewala and Jairam Ramesh are among the star campaigners.

WORD OF THE DAY

Flout

Pronunciation: FLOUT (Verb)
Meaning: To flout something, such as a law or rule, is to treat it with contemptuous disregard. A teenager flouting a curfew, for example, will not hide the fact that they are out past the time they are required to be home.
Origin: If you flout a rule or societal norm, you ignore it without hiding what you're doing, or showing fear or shame; you flout it "out" in the open. The similar-sounding word flaunt is sometimes used in the same way, though that word's older and more common meaning is "to display ostentatiously," as in "people who flaunt their wealth." Critics have been objecting to the confusion of these two words since the early 1900s, but use of flaunt with the meaning "to treat with contemptuous disregard" is found in even polished, edited writing, and so that meaning is included in dictionaries as an established use of the word. Nonetheless, you may want to avoid it: there are still many who judge harshly those who (they feel) are flouting proper English usage.
Example: "Bringing a queer sensibility and a deep understanding of Modern Orthodox Jewish tradition to novel writing, [Temim] Fruchter asks whether finding comfort in mystery is a viable alternative to standard happy endings or bleak fates. 'City of Laughter' argues that flouting convention makes space for more authentic, expansive stories and more authentic, expansive lives." — Lauren LeBlanc, The New York Times, 13 Jan. 2024

THE ODD WORD

Taradiddle

Someone or something that is filled with pretentious nonsense or something that is a lie.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Dry Run

Meaning: The phrase 'Dry Run' is used to discuss a rehearsal, test, or experiment of some kind.
Origin: The term 'Dry Run' originated in world of firefighting, in which firemen would have speed contests or give demos without carrying water.
Example: "We did a dry run of our presentation before showing trainees."

QUOTE BOX

Do not worry about avoiding temptation. As you grow older it will avoid you. **—Joey Adams**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

BAD WOLF

Answer: Big bad wolf.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Bric-a- ___ : Miscellaneous curios
5 Striped equine
10 Plead, solicit or supplicate
13 Complies with
14 Person taking part in sporting contests
15 West Indies magic
16 Indian mountain range & pass
18 WWII battleground
19 Robot drama by Karel Capek
20 City in UP
24 Cry of disgust
27 Digital currency
29 Pungent edible root
32 Carriage
33 Facility
35 "Bad Behaviour" star Stephen
36 Puts two and two together
37 Flat-crowned hat
39 Energy or vigour
42 Capital letters (5,4)
45 Short in duration
49 Broad rolling tract of land in the US
50 Keyboard instrument
51 Favouring the most able
52 Settees
53 Editor's excision

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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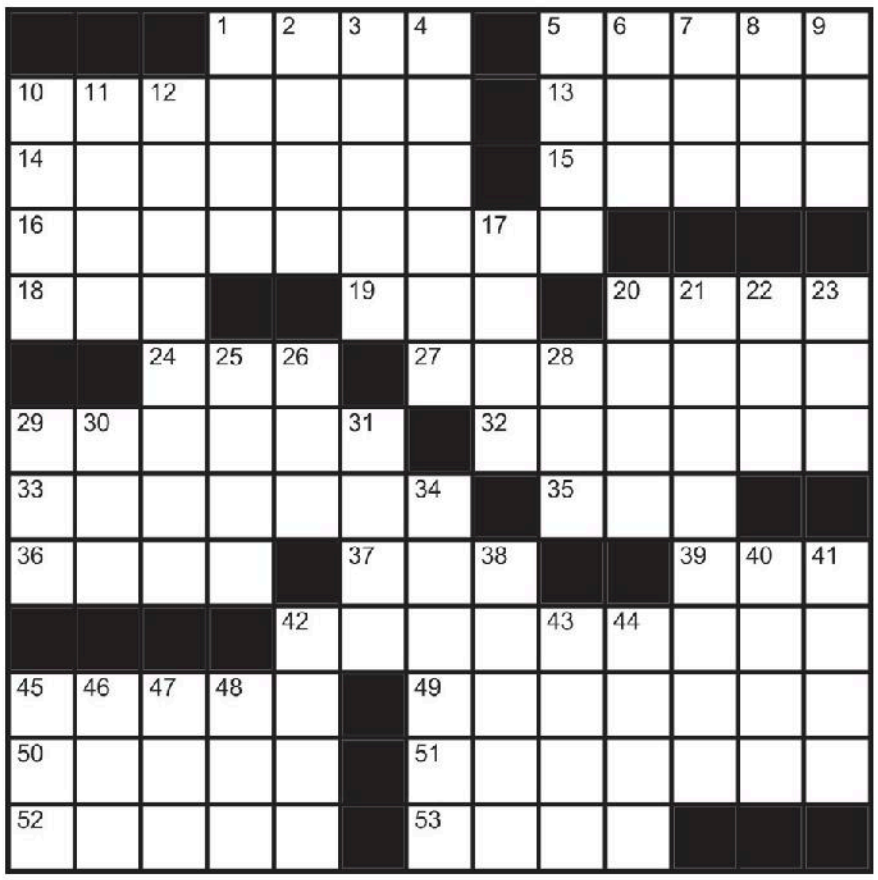
DOWN

1 Banjo maestro ___ Fleck
2 Emit offensive odour
3 Performer in a drama or a film?
4 Angelic child
5 Move rapidly
6 Flow back
7 Hive-dweller?
8 Norwegian rug
9 Kind of wood
10 Roast or cook in an oven
11 Coup d'- ___ : change of Govt.
12 Cloaked or concealed
17 Seed appendage
20 A skin complaint
21 One of India's major rivers
22 Narrow inlet, creek
23 Music director Malik
25 Cotton seed-removing machines
26 Horizontal Situation Indicator
28 British naval sailor
29 Regional Airline Assoc.
30 Intel competitor
31 Start of a Web site address
34 Chattered noisily, like a small dog, perhaps ?
38 A type of blackbird
40 Egyptian goddess
41 Get together
42 Alien craft
43 Means of travel
44 To quote as an instance
45 Bits Per Second, abbr.
46 SA river ___ Grande
47 Indian Air Force, in short?
48 Spanish queen



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Answer to previous puzzle

4	9	8	1	2	6	3	5	7
5	1	6	7	9	3	2	8	4
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8	2	5	3	7	1	4	6	9
6	3	7	5	4	9	8	1	2
9	4	1	8	6	2	7	3	5
1	5	9	2	8	7	6	4	3
3	6	2	9	1	4	5	7	8
7	8	4	6	3	5	9	2	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

BDV FLMWC BDV AMCG LMQRCF,

FDPWZ LMWCF BDV JURC.

TODAY'S CLUE: B EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: You can only be young once. But you can always be immature.

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Yuva (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am, 4 pm
	(S-2)	9.50 am
	(S-4)	9.50 am, 1.10 pm
		7 pm, 10 pm
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	(S-1)	1.30 pm, 7.05 pm
	(S-3)	10.25 am, 10.10 pm
Aadujeevitham (Ma)	(S-1)	9.30 pm; (S-3) 6.50 pm
Kung Fu Panda 4 (E-3D)	(S-2)	12.50 pm, 2.50 pm
Crew (H)	(S-2)	4.50 pm, 7.20 pm
Tillu Square (Te)	(S-2)	9.55 pm; (S-4) 4.10 pm
Manjummel Boys (Ma)	(S-3)	12.45 pm
Swatantrya Veer Savarkar (H)	(S-3)	3.30 pm

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Yuva (K)	:	12.30 pm, 3.30 pm, 4.10 pm
		6.30 pm, 7.55 pm, 9.30 pm
Crew 2024 (H)	:	1.30 pm, 3.05 pm, 9.30 pm
Tillu Square (Te)	:	4.15 pm, 6.50 pm

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		7.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (H-2D)	:	4 pm
Yuva (K)	:	9.30 am, 11.45 am, 12.45 pm
		3 pm, 4 pm, 6.15 pm
		7.15 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Tillu Square (Te)	:	9.45 am, 12.45 pm, 3.45 pm
		6.45 pm, 9.45 pm
Crew -2024 (H)	:	11 am, 1.45 pm, 4.30 pm
		7.15 pm, 10 pm
Aadujeevitham: The Goat Life (K)	:	12.25 pm
Aadujeevitham: The Goat Life (Ma)	:	6.40 pm
Kung Fu Panda 4 (E-3D)	:	2.50 pm
Manjummel Boys (Ma)	:	10.15 pm

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		7.05 pm, 9.45 pm
Tillu Square (Te)	:	10.15 am, 1.15 pm, 7 pm
Yuva (K)	:	10.30 am, 12.15 pm, 3.30 pm
		5.45 pm, 6.45 pm, 10 pm
Crew 2024 (H)	:	10.45 am, 4.15 pm, 9 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	1.30 pm
Aadujeevitham: The Goat Life (K)	:	2.10 pm
Aadujeevitham: The Goat Life (Ma)	:	10 pm

EVENTS TODAY (APRIL 1)

- **Sri Jagadguru Shankaracharya Mahasamsthana, Sri Sharada Peetha, Sringeri and Abhinava Shankaralaya, Mysuru:** Centenary celebrations of Abhinava Shankaralaya, Cultural programmes, Violin Duet Concert by Sumukha Chandra and Rupanagudi Ratna Teja, accompanied by Vikram Bharadwaj on mridanga and T.N. Ajay on ghata, **6 pm;** Violin Duet by Mysuru Brothers Vid. Manjunath and Vid. Nagaraj, Abhinava Shankaralaya, Fort Mohalla, Shankar Mutt Road, **7.30 pm.**
- **Rotary Midtown:** Inauguration of Rotary Midtown 'Manasa Kuteera' School for Special Children, Sri Vishwaprasanna Theertha Swamiji of Pejawar Mutt, Udupi and Trustee of Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust, Ayodhya, graces the occasion; MLA T. S. Srivatsa inaugurates, Rtn. H.R. Keshav, District Governor, RI Dist.- 3181, chief guest; Rtn. S. Raghavendra, Chairman, Rotary Midtown Manasa Kuteera, Rtn. D. Srinivasan, President, Rotary Mysore Midtown and Rtn. Dr. K. A. Prahlad, Chairman, Rotary Mysore Midtown Foundation, will be present, CA-01, Sy. No. 75/1, Dwarakanagar (R.T Nagar) Ring Road, **3.30 pm.**
- **Haridasa Sangeetha Sahityotsava Samithi:** A programme to honour Udupi Pejawar Mutt Seer Sri Vishwaprasanna Teertha Swamiji, who is returning to city this evening after taking part in 48-day Mandalotsava and Mangalotsava of Balak Ram idol at Ayodhya; Sculptor Arun Yogiraj and 14 young scholars, who took part in Sudha Mangala programme at Ayodhya, will also be feted, Sarada Vilas College Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Research and Extension Centre, University of Mysore:** Six-day workshop on 'Research Methodology in Social Sciences: Current Trends and Way Forward', Seminar Series - 3 Sessions by eminent scholars, Research Centre premises, Manasagangothri, **upto 5.45 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (APRIL 2)

- **Sri Jagadguru Shankaracharya Mahasamsthana, Sri Sharada Peetha, Sringeri and Abhinava Shankaralaya, Mysuru:** Centenary celebrations of Abhinava Shankaralaya, Shatakoti Rama Shastri Smaaraka Shaastra Sabha commences, **9 am:** Sringeri Jagadguru Sri Vidhushekara Bharati Sannidhanam to give darshan to devotees, Pada Puja, Bhiksha Vandana, Sri Sharada Peetham, **10.30 am;** Cultural programmes, Nagaswara concert by Vid. Krishnamurthy and troupe, Abhinava Shankaralaya, Fort Mohalla, Shankar Mutt Road, **7 pm;** Special discourse by Sri Vidhushekhara Bharati Swamiji at Mulakanadu Bhavana, near Aishwarya Petrol Bunk, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, Hunsur Road, **4 pm;** Sri Vidhushekhara Bharati Swamiji visits Sri Chidambareswara Swamy Temple and give darshan to devotees, Temple premises, #1446, Dhanvantri Road, Devaraja Mohalla, **5.30 pm.**
- **All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru:** Graduation Day -2024, Dr. C.S. Vanaja, Principal, School of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology - Bharati Vidyapeeth, Pune, chief guest, Prof. N.K. Lokanath, Vice-Chancellor, University of Mysore, delivers graduation day address, Dr. M. Pushpavathi, AIISH Director, presides, Seminar Hall, Knowledge Park, Naimisham Campus, AIISH, Manasagangothri, **10 am.**
- **Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Research and Extension Centre, University of Mysore:** Workshop on 'Research Methodology in Social Sciences', Seminar Sessions by eminent scholars, Research Centre premises, Manasagangothri, **10 am to 5.15 pm.**
- **Sri Ravi Shankar Guruji's Art of Living:** 5-Day workshop including yoga, pranayama, meditation and powerful breathing techniques, Art of Living Ashram, Lalithadripura Road, **between 6 am - 8.30 am and 6 pm - 8.30 pm.**
- **Mysuru City Police, Mounted Police, Karnataka Police Academy, South Zone, Mysuru District Police, Karnataka State Reserve Police (KSRP) 5th Battalion, Police Training School, State Intelligence, Directorate of Civil Rights Enforcement (DCRE), Lokayukta, Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) and Internal Security Division (ISD), Mysuru:** Police Flag Day celebrations, Shivaraju, KSPS, Commandant (retd.), Mysuru City, chief guest, B. Ramesh, City Police Commissioner, presides, City Armed Reserve (CAR) Police Parade Grounds, Nazarbad, **8 am.**

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		6.45 pm, 10 pm
Crew (H)	(S-3)	10.55 am, 1.40 pm, 7.25 pm
Aadujeevitham (Ma)	(S-1)	9.15 pm
Manjummel Boys (Ma)	(S-1)	2.45 pm
Kung Fu Panda 4 (E-3D)	(S-4)	2.45 pm
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	(S-1)	12.05 pm
	(S-4)	11.25 am, 5 pm
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Tillu Square (Te)	(S-1)	9.05 am
	(S-3)	4.25 pm, 10.10 pm

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Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	:	10.05 am, 12.45 pm
		7 pm, 9.40 pm
Tillu Square (Te)	:	10.30 am, 1.20 pm
		7 pm, 10.10 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	12.40 pm
Blink (K)	:	1.30 pm
Aadujeevitham - The Goat Life (Ma)	:	3.25 pm
Tharini (K)	:	4.20 pm
Manjummel Boys (Ma)	:	7.15 pm

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TODAY'S MATCH (APRIL 1)

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RCB Vs **LSG**

M. Chinnaswamy Stadium, Bengaluru — **7.30 pm**

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

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